

DIARY NOTES

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14 thru 22 January 1954

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1. Have asked [REDACTED] to insure that all petty cash accounts are audited systematically in the future.

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2. Discussed [REDACTED] table of organization with him. He feels that he needs forty-four auditors to take care of his world-wide audit functions. This necessitates giving him an increase of three positions in his present ceiling. Not included in this number is the position of "Assistant to the Auditor-in-Chief" which is now occupied by [REDACTED] does not believe that this position is essential and I agreed to discuss the matter with Mr. [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
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3. [REDACTED] reports that while the audit of Project MKULTRA has not been completed, so far no irregularities have been found.

4. Have asked Jim Garrison to go to the General Services Administration and attempt to obtain an exemption from submitting a report on the status of our automobiles.

5. Have reminded Ed Saunders that he is supposed to make a report on leave balances during the month of January.

6. Have also asked Ed to expedite his analysis of Fiscal Year 1954 obligations so that we can make positive recommendations to the Director before the end of this month. 25X9A8

7. After talking with [REDACTED], National Security Agency, Ed Saunders, and General Cabell, I asked Ed Saunders to notify Mr. Elliot, Department of Defense, that we saw no way in which we could comply with the Department's request that we make unvouchered funds available to NSA for their own confidential purposes. 25X1A6a

8. On Tuesday Jim Garrison and I visited the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] 25X1A6a

Communications' Laboratory [REDACTED] is finished and the Engineering Division is moving in. It appears to be an excellent building and fully meets all of the necessary requirements. 25X1A6a

The Receiving Stations [REDACTED] are almost finished but are not activated. They are very adequate but not pretentious. When activated 25X1A6a

they will replace similar stations now in the vicinity [REDACTED]
In order for [REDACTED] to furnish maintenance and guard service for these two new stations, arrangements have been made to give him four additional positions, making his ceiling [REDACTED] Two of these positions are to come from the DD/A Reserve and two from the Office of Communications.

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9. I have asked Jim Garrison to expedite whatever negotiations are necessary to get the power project [REDACTED] going.

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10. I told [REDACTED] that if there were any essential expenditures needed during this Fiscal Year which he could not absorb within his own budget to be sure and let the Comptroller know at this time. For one thing, I discovered that the Center has only about half enough desks and/or tables to accommodate the Emergency Force. I, therefore, told [REDACTED] to requisition tables. Also, I doubt if there are enough filing cabinets and have told him to look into this situation too.

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11. Have obtained the Director's approval to have [REDACTED] move into the [REDACTED] with the definite understanding, of course, that in case of an actual emergency he would vacate immediately. Have informed [REDACTED] of this and asked him to obtain an appraisal so that we can establish a fair rental for him.

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12. Jim Garrison showed me a letter that he had received from [REDACTED] in Europe which indicates that the work of the Logistics Team there has gone well and that the Team will be returning stateside before too long. Apparently Colonel [REDACTED] see eye to eye on the use of the [REDACTED] and believe that a small operation on the Continent is also essential. [REDACTED] says that the need is not great insofar as volume is concerned, but that it is a real need. It is my understanding that [REDACTED] will forward formal recommendations to this effect to Washington soon and I have told Mr. Garrison that if [REDACTED] did this I would give my approval to go ahead. It would take about fourteen people to operate this small installation on the Continent, but it is my understanding that these can come from the [REDACTED] without any actual increase in personnel.

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13. Jim Garrison reports that the placing of [REDACTED] in caretaker status is proceeding smoothly, although there are a large number of problems as to what to do with the property there, etc. He anticipates that it will be in complete caretaker status by 1 April and that he will probably leave [REDACTED] there in charge.

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14. Have arranged to talk to John Tietjen, Harry Reynolds, Larry Houston, and Shef Edwards on Monday after our Staff Meeting concerning the establishment of a Psychiatric Disposition Board.

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15. Attended Colonel Edwards' weekly staff meeting.

16. Mr. Dulles reported that he had briefed the President, to include the general order of magnitude of our budget, and that the President was satisfied.

17. Asked Messrs. [REDACTED] to look into the air conditioning and ventilation systems in the Director's Conference Room and to give me recommendations at a very early date as to what we needed to make them entirely satisfactory.

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20. Attended the Director's luncheon for Senator Saltonstall. We discussed briefly the Mansfield proposal for a joint House-Senate committee to monitor CIA affairs. Senator Saltonstall doubted that any such legislation was likely to be enacted this year inasmuch as the calendar was very full of things which, in his opinion, had a much higher priority. Insofar as any investigation of CIA was concerned, Senator Saltonstall indicated that he thought such was unlikely unless, of course, it should be undertaken by Senator McCarthy's Committee which had a legitimate interest in Government operations; however, he did not seem to think that this was probable. He said that if we were going to attempt to brief anyone on this Committee it would be a mistake not to brief Senator McCarthy personally. He went so far as to say that he would be willing to get up on the floor and say that as Chairman of the Armed Services Committee he saw no necessity for an investigation of CIA or for a committee to monitor CIA affairs inasmuch as CIA was a highly classified activity which had always cooperated one hundred per cent with the Armed Services Committee.

21. Mr. Dulles alerted me that we might need to get \$100,000 from the Reserve to assist [REDACTED]. He wants to make sure that we lay all of the cards on the table, inasmuch as this expenditure will be necessary due to the fact that the [REDACTED] will not be lending further support to this project.

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